GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

AUSTIN, TEXAS.
May 31. 1923.

Hon. S. L. Staples, Secretary of State, Austin. Texas.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am filing with you, together with my disapproval and veto, House Bill No. 23, attached hereto, which bill appropriates \$3,000,000 for the purpose of promoting rural education.

This bill, together with nine other appropriation bills also this day disapproved and vetoed, is vetoed for the reason that the aggregate sum appropriated by these measures amounts to nearly \$40,000,000, which, together with appropriations previously made by the Thirty-Eighth Legislature, exceeds the estimated income of the State by approximately \$8,000,000. The State cannot, even for worthy causes, afford to pay out more money than its income. The appropriations should be kept within the available revenue.

For these reasons this bill attached hereto, is hereby disapproved, vetoed, and filed with you.

Respectfully,

Governor